

### REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Official Action mailed on March 8, 2007. This response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-4, 6-10 and 20 stand rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Brierley (US 5106196).

Claims 5, 11-14, 18 and 21 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Brierley (US 5106196).

Applicant notes with gratitude that claims 15-17 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Although Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections, in order to expedite allowance, claims 1-14 and 18-21 have been cancelled and claims 15-17 have been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,  
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